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Dear Resisters,

The next meeting will be Sunday, March 6, at Meredith Smith's house: 18 Park Ave. (Davis Square) Somerville, 623-7738 at 11a.m.

We have 31 proposals to consider. They are:

1. Adhoc Committee for Disarmament (Oregon) -- \$400 to print leaflet on plutonium production at Hanford plant.
2. United Christian Committee Against the Draft (Puerto Rico) -- any amount towards publishing literature about the draft and military service "to create in Puerto Rico a united front against militarism."
3. Progressive Foundation (Madison) -- any amount towards fundraising drive for Nuclear Free Zone Campaign.
4. Jobs with Peace (New York) -- any amount (up to \$1,500) to finance a Jobs with Peace budget for New York City and to mail organizers packet.
5. Gray Panthers (Boston) -- \$500 to print and distribute leaflet for outreach effort.
6. NY-CARD -- \$500 for seed money to develop CARD News Service
7. Lydia Pilcher/Harriet Hirshorn -- \$463 to distribute the RESIST-funded documentary LOUDER THAN OUR WORDS: WOMEN AND CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE
8. Grassroots Newspaper (Berekely) -- \$500 for direct mailing
9. Household Workers Rights (San Fransisco) -- \$245 for office expenses
10. Women Against Military Madness (Minn.) -- any amount for general support
11. Worker's Rights Project, National Lawyers Guild -- any amount towards distributing the book INJURED AT WORK
12. Guardian newspaper -- \$395 to pay for a course taken by circulation manager.
13. Dorchester International Womens' Day Planning Committee -- any amount towards \$1,200 needed to pay part-time coordinators of this event.

14. Somerville Speak-out -- \$400 for disarmament activity in Somerville
15. Womens' Peace Encampment (Boston Committee) -- \$350 towards printing, type-setting, mailing and rental of meeting hall for organizing the action in the summer of '83.
16. Gay Speakers Bureau -- \$500 for general operating expenses
17. Gay Community News Prisoners Project-- any amount for subscriptions of prisoners.
18. Nerve Center (Jan.meeting)
19. Plant Closures Project (California) - Jan. meeting
20. Coalition to Stop Plant Closings (California) -- \$495 for production of newsletter
21. Social Action Center (Albany) -- \$500 for office equipment
22. Religious Task Force on Central America (Chicago) -- \$533 for printing cost of informational booklets.
23. Knolls Action Project (Albany) -- \$500 for leafletting project
24. Collins Catch The Bear Legal Defense Fund (Black Hills) -- any amount towards legal defense
25. Educators United -- \$300 for Black History Month project
26. Peace House (Oregon) -- \$500 towards general support.
27. Caledonia Co. Committee for a Nuclear Freeze (Vt) -- any amount towards sending delegation to Soviet Union.
28. Surveillance, Infiltration, Red Baiting- A Seminar on Attacks on Political Dissent -- \$500 towards printing literature and publicity for conference.
29. Trident Nein/Plowshares #4 -- \$468 for written history about trial of the Trident Nein
30. Black United Front -- \$500 for 3 months telephone bill and rental space
31. PUMA (Prostitutes United, Boston) -- ? amount towards a shelter for battered prostitutes (waiting for more info)

Yes, you have a lot of reviewing to do before the next meeting. I'll look forward to meeting all of you in the near future.

Your new (and dedicated) staffer,

Ken Tangvik

March 6th Meeting

1. Adhoc Comm. for Disarm. ☐Y, ☐N, ☐Maybe. Comments:
2. United Chr. Comm. Ag. the Draft ☐Y, ☐N, ☐Maybe. Comments:
3. Progressive Foundation ☐Y, ☐N, ☐Maybe. Comments:
4. Jobs with Peace ☐Y, ☐N, ☐Maybe. Comments:
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24. Collins Defense Fund __Y, __N, __Maybe. Comments:
25. Educators United __Y, __N, __Maybe. Comments:
26. Peace House __Y, __N, __Maybe. Comments:
27. Caledonia Comm. __Y, __N, __Maybe. Comments:
28. Surveillance, ect. Conference __Y, __N, __Maybe. Comments:

29. Trident Nein ___Y, ___N, ___Maybe. Comments:

30. Black United Front ___Y, ___N, ___Maybe. Comments:

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MINUTES

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Present were Ken T., Meredith, Pam, Louis, Grace and Kate. There was a proxy from Amanda.

New Staff - We welcomed Ken as the new staff person. We didn't give him the opportunity to tell us about himself so I'll pass a little info along here. He grew up in the Boston area and just recently got his masters in English from U Mass-Boston. For the past several years he's been active in peace, draft and disarmament work in the Boston area, has some good local contacts and is a very good writer. So keep your eyes peeled for up-coming pieces in the RESIST newsletter!

MONEY is good. Bank balance before this meeting was around \$9,900. After projecting our income and expenses for the rest of this quarter, we had about \$4,000 for grants. We've been crediting all our financial success to the new brochure. Louis questioned the advisability of this. It seems there might be some political and economic factors involved in peopple's willingness to give contributions.

LOAN FUND. - Because we had \$4,000 for this meeting we decided that it was time to set up the loan fund which we discussed several months ago. The fund would be available for loans to groups planning different fundraisers: mailings, parties, events etc. We would give ~~grants~~ loans in increments of \$250 and suggest that when the loan is repaid that the loanee kick in a little extra (suggested 5%) to add to the fund. We will be writing up guidelines for the fund. If anyone has a suggestion please advise. \$1,000 from this meeting will go into the fund and \$1000 in out-standing loans when they are repaid, making a total of \$2,000. ✓

GRANTS - we made 12 grants, postponed 6, will recommend 3 to the Ferry's, rejected 8, targeted 1 for a possible loan and 1 was cancelled.

GRANTS

- ✓ 1. Ad Hoc Committee for Disarmament (Portland, OR) - \$350 for a leaflet on the ~~Plutonium-Uranium~~ Extraction (PUREX) plant at the Hanford Nuclear Reserve.
5. Gray Panthers (Boston, MA) \$275 for brochures and a promotional mailing with a recommendation that it be used for whatever will best increase their membership.
13. International Women's Day (Dorchester, MA) - \$300 for general expenses for this event which will take place on 3/12. Our support for this event year after year comes from the observation that every year this event is ^{always} very successful in bringing together many women from many different backgrounds.

14. Somerville Speakout (Somerville, MA) - \$250 towards the costs of speakout on the local impact of the arms race.

15. Womens Peace Encampment (Boxton, MA) - \$250 to print leaflet/poster to advertise general organizational meeting in Boston for Kthe Women's Peace Encampment which is happening in Up=state NY this summer.

16. (Gay Speakers Bureau (Boston, MA) - \$250 for speakers' training manual.

17. Gay Community News (Boston, MA) - \$250 to purchase legal materials for the gay prisoners project.

18. The Nerve Center (New Haven, CT) - \$250 for leaflet on US production and use of chemical and biological weapons.

11. Workers Rights Project (Seattle, WA) - will recommend for Z money if they haven't received it already. If they do get money from the Ferry's on their own we will grant them \$200 for booklet on Occupational safety.

19. Plant Closures Project (Oakland, CA) - We've been holding onto this proposal for a while. Carlos did some investigating and came back with a very good recommendation for them. We will forward their proposal to the Ferry's

20. Coalition to Stop Plant Closings (LA, CA) - Carlos also checked into this group and gave a very positive recommendation. We will refer them to the Ferry's as well.

21. Social Action Center (Albany, NY) - \$200 for equipment purchase with a recommendation that they require the groups participating in the center to pay enough rent to keep the center open.

22. Religious Task Force on Central America (Chicago, IL) - \$300 for spanish translation of booklet on sanctuary for Central American refugees.

25. Educators United (Milwaukee, WI) - \$200 for essay writing contest on condition that they send us the winning essay. This contest has helped the group get new membership ~~xxxxx~~ for their group as well as giving them good standing in ~~the~~ the black community in Milwaukee. George Schmidt at SUBS in Chicago also gave them a very good rec.

29. Trident Nein (New Haven, CT) - \$175 to purchase transcript of sentencing statements of the Trident Nein for use in a written history.

REJECTIONS

United

2. United Church Committee Against the Draft (Puerto Rico) - Unless they appeal to us for a specific project, there are other funding sources available. They seem to have good support from AFSC and CCCO. They are also tax-exempt which makes other funds more readily available.

3. Progressive Foundation (Madison, WI) - They've already been offered \$5,000 from the Ferry's which they will probably get much of even if they don't come up with matching funds. The Foundation also has the Progressive mailing list, they should use it to raise funds. Also, the idea of Nuclear Free Zones is nice but meaningless.

10. Women Against Militarism (Minneapolis, MN) - A wonderful Resist success story but they are out of our league now. We thought of sending them a certificate of achievement. Good luck!

12. The Guardian (NYC) - Regardless of how we feel about the Guardian (and the subject did come up) we don't want to pay for one of their staff people to go to school.

23. Knolls Action Project (Albany, NY) - Would like to see their leaflet but this seemed like an awfully single-minded project. Why a new leaflet every week?

26. Peace House (Ashland, OR) - They can get other peace funds. Also their budget is very big and they have already received \$5000 from a Franciscan order.

27. Caledonia Committee for a Nuclear Freeze (Ryegate, VT) - It's not a priority for us to send 5 people to the Soviet Union.

POSTPONEMENTS

6. New York CARD (NYC) - more info

7. Louder than our Words (NYC) - we want to see the video

9. Household Worker Rights (Berkeley) more info, didn't return our calls

24. Collints Catch the Bear Defense Fund (Rapid City, SD)

30 Black United Front (NYC) - want to do some checking. Can anyone make a recommendation?

31. Prostitutes United of MA (Boston) - proposal arrived too late.

LOANS

8. Grassroots (Berkeley) - we want to do some checking first, see if their interested. And want to get some feedback on the paper itself.

CANCELLED

28. Surveillance Conference, NLG (Seattle) - the conference was postponed until the fall since movement groups in Seattle weren't aware of government surveillance, red-baiting etc. NLG felt that they needed to do a little CR before planning a conference.

That's it for this meeting. If anyone is willing to check into the groups that we postponed, esp. you NYC people, that would be wonderful. We gave out \$3,000 in grants this meeting.

NEXT MEETING is 4/17/83 at Pam Chamberlain's, 65 Antrim St., Cambridge. We want to have a meeting in NYC in May or June. Please call the office if you are willing to have the meeting at your place.

In peace,

Meredith